



## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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## **MEMORANDUM**

June 12, 2012

TO:

Agricultural Advisory Committee Members (AAC)

FROM:

Jeremy V. Criss, Agricultural Services Manager

Department of Economic Development

SUBJECT:

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 19, 2012

Please be advised that the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19, 2012 at the Up County Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road Germantown in Room B at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting agenda is on the next page.

The other attachments for our meeting will be posted on the Agricultural Services web site. Due to the County's paper reduction mandate, please print these attachments out and bring them with you to the meeting.

See you on June 19, 2012.

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## Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda –June 19, 2012

- 1. Introductions: If needed
- 2. Approval of the AAC Minutes from May 15, 2012. (See Attachment A.)
- 3. Update on UME-Agronomy Educator Position-Response Dean Wei- (See Attachment B.)
- 4. AAC recommendation regarding Local Map Amendment G-909 in Bethesda Central Business District. (See Attachment C.)
- 5. Follow up meeting with Jane Seigler-Remaining Agricultural issues for the Zoning Rewrite Process
- 6. Discussion regarding the Agricultural Reserve Conference-Farming at Metro's Edge-Sustaining Agriculture in Frederick and Montgomery Counties-Friday and Saturday November 9&10, 2012.
- 7. Council Action on the FY13 Fuel/Energy Tax Rates (See Attachment D.)
- 8. AAC recommendation on the Bill 16-12 Trees-Utility Vegetation Management-Public Hearing June 12, 2012@7:30pm (See Attachment E.)
- 9. Discussion-Amendment to Chapter 50 of the County Code-Subdivisions-Conditions of approving record plats for subdivisions. HB 722 SB 1100 Recommendation to create a new condition that prohibits the developer, HOA, or any future designee from recording private covenants in the land records that are in conflict with the legislative Intent of the RDT zone after the MNCPPC approval of the record plat. This will address future cases of subdivisions.
- 10. Farmland Preservation Purchase Periods Update:
  AEP-Offers made to 4 landowners covering 287 acres totaling \$2.0 million in GO Bonds
  BLT-Offers made to 5 landowners covering 466 acres acquiring 9 BLTs totaling \$2,491,875
- 11. PHED Committee Work Session- June 25, 2012 2:00 pm ZTA 12-03 Agricultural Zones-Wineries
- 12. PHED Committee Work Session-July 30, 2012 2:00 pm Land Use and economic trends in the Agricultural Reserve.
- 13. Next Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting July 17, 2012 @7:00 PM in Germantown

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

PHED Committee-ZTA 12-03 Wineries in Agricultural Zones-June 25, 2012@2:00pm Bob Raver's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party-July 22, 2012

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Farm Tour-July 28 and 29, 2012 @10:00 am-4:00 pm PHED Committee-Land Use and economic trends in the Agricultural Reserve-July 30, 2012

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